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Information Disclosure Statement  
 PTO Form 1449 with cited references  
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A check is not enclosed. If a fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified case.

No fee or certification is required.

PART II: Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The following co-pending applications that may contain subject matter related to this application are enclosed unless the earlier application is identified herein and is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120, and the copy was provided in the earlier application:

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>
09/621,262	July 21, 2000	Juan C. Cardona
09/636,349	August 10, 2000	Theodore A. Burnham et al.
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The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed Search Report from a corresponding International Application (PCT/US01/05542).

PART III: Explanation of Non-English Language References and Remarks Concerning Other Information Cited

An English language translation of EP 0 843 246 is enclosed.

PART IV: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

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Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

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